

POLLUTION REPORT

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POLREP NO: Nineteen (19)
INCIDENT NAME: Ringwood Mines
SITE NO: 62
POLLUTANT: Lead Paint Sludges
CLASSIFICATION: Major
SOURCE: Ford International Services, Inc.
LOCATION: Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey
AMOUNT: Approximately 7500 tons
WATER BODY: Groundwater

1. SITUATION:

A. Paint sludges from the automotive industry were disposed of in a large mine area in Ringwood, Passaic County, New Jersey.

B. Based upon the concentration of lead in the EP Toxicity leachates, the paint sludge exhibits the characteristics of a hazardous waste as promulgated in 40 CFR, 261, Subpart C (USEPA hazardous waste number D008).

C. A consent order was signed by Ford International Services, Inc. accepting responsibility for the total site clean-up.

D. Four areas containing solidified paint sludge have been designated as pits A, B, C and D. Pits A, B, and D are located on-site and are being excavated first. Pit C, located at an isolated area off site, will be addressed last.

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. Activity at area A has been temporarily stopped. Soil

sampling is expected to begin in a week.

B. Backfilling of area B has been completed. Soil sampling is expected to begin in a week.

C. Backfilling of area C will not begin until laboratory results on soil samples taken indicated the removal of contaminants.

D. Backfilling of area D has been completed.

E. No shipments of dirt were made.

F. EPA continues to monitor PRP activities.

3. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Pending the analytical results from soil samples taken from each area.

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